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A portable apparatus has a base section that includes a blower, and can be configured for heating or evaporative cooling. By attaching a heating attachment, a gas heating apparatus is provided, and there is no open and/or visible flame. The heating attachment can be replaced with an evaporative cooling attachment, so that evaporative cooling can be performed using the same base with the evaporative cooling attachment. A system of switching pulleys and/or belts to change blower speed, as well as a single switch that operates both devices, is also provided.